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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled)
2. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 21, wherein said second locking means detachably fixes said fixation device to the cover.
3. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 21, wherein said second locking means fixes said fixation device to the cover without use of tools.
4. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 21, wherein said second locking means comprise flexible elements adapted such that less force is required to change a shape of the elements during mounting to the cover than during detachment from the cover.
5. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 21, wherein said second locking means comprise tensioning devices that press the first locking means against the cover to ensure fixation without play.
6. (Currently Amended) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 21, wherein said fixation device is ~~devices are each~~ constructed as a spring from a bent strip of material.

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7. (Currently Amended) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 6, wherein said fixation device is ~~devices are each~~ fixed within said undercut sections of the cover by means of a tab that has been bent outward from the strip of material.
8. (Previously presented) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 7, wherein the cover in the region of each of said undercut sections defines an aperture to engage the tab.
9. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 21, wherein said second locking means comprise elastomer bodies.
10. - 18. (Canceled)
19. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system according to Claim 20, wherein said cover comprises a cast metal grating.
20. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system, comprising:
 - a structure installed in the ground and having an upper edge with a frame thereon, said frame including a notch;
 - a cover having edges forming undercut sections with U-shaped profiles; and
 - a fixation device having a U-shaped portion and a portion with a nose, said U-shaped portion fitting within one of said undercut sections to lock said fixation device to said cover, said nose fitting within said notch to lock said cover to said structure.
21. (Previously Presented) Surface water drainage system, comprising:
 - a structure installed in the ground and having an upper edge with a frame thereon;
 - a cover having edges forming undercut sections with U-shaped profiles; and

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a fixation device with first means for locking said fixation device on said cover to said frame on said structure and with second means for locking said fixation device to one of said undercut sections of said cover.